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1. The Operations Headquarters at the Berlin VP headquarters was renamed Einsatzstab (alert headquarters) and was subordinated to VP-Inspekteur Kurt Wendt for the duration of the four-power foreign ministers' conference. Code word for this commitment was "Ansel". Additional 400 criminal police were assigned to this Einsatzstab and committed as special patrols in all East Berlin suburbs.
2. After 20 January 1954, Einsatzstaeb (alert headquarters) were also activated in all eight Inspektionen (districts) of the Berlin VP headquarters. They were commanded by the district chiefs and included a special detachment of 25 VPs and 50 to 60 criminal police officers each. The criminal police personnel was detached from zonal posts.
3. After 20 January 1954, 30 armored scout cars mounting machine guns were kept ready for special commitment in the courtyard of the Berlin VP headquarters. The crews of 30 police radio cars were retrained on armored cars in Biesenthal for the same purpose prior to mid-January 1954. The crews were scheduled to take over armored scout cars on the code order "Toni, receive extra rations" and to be committed under the direction of the headquarters for radio-controlled patrol-cars.

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Comment. The information confirms previous reports by deserters which indicated that the Schnell- und Einsatzkommandos (flying squads) of the police were equipped with armored scout cars in the fall of 1953. The armored scout cars probably came from supplies from the U.S.S.R. in the period of September to November 1953.

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